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SUBJECT: CLAIMS AGREEMENT

REF: PRAGUE 2767

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH CHARGE NOV. 27 ZANTOVSKY (HEAD SIXTH DEPT. MFA) EMPHASIZED TWO POINTS IN CONNECTION WITH FURTHER PROGRESS ON CLAIMS AGREEMENT: A. MFA URGENTLY REQUESTS NOTE STATING DCM HAS REPLACED WORTZEL AS NEGOTIATOR. (EMBASSY IS UNCLEAR AS TO WHAT INTERNAL CZECH PROBLEM NECESSITATES THIS REQUEST, BUT REPEATS QUERY TO DEPARTMENT STATED IN REFTTEL, PARA 5. ZANTOVSKY SAID THE SOONER THE BETTER.) B. CZECHS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT TECHNICAL PROBLEMS IN GOLD TRANSFER ONCE WE ARE READY TO SIGN AGREEMENT, AND WONDERS IF THERE IS ANY WAY WORK COULD CONTINUE ON THIS MATTER WHILE THE LONG-GRAVEL MATTER IS BEING FOUGHT OUT.

2. COMMENT: DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER IF SOME WORK COULD GO FORWARD ON CLEARING THE UNDERBRUSH IN PREPARATION (WE HOPE) FOR CLAIMS AGREEMENT SIGNING. IN THIS CONNECTION, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE AT THIS POINT ON CHANGES IN ANNEXES A & B TO CLAIMS AGREEMENT PROPOSED BY CZECHS (SEE PRAGUE 2205 AND 2209)

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